#### C-111 Spreader Canal Project

#### Termination of South Florida Aquaculture, Inc. Lease Agreement

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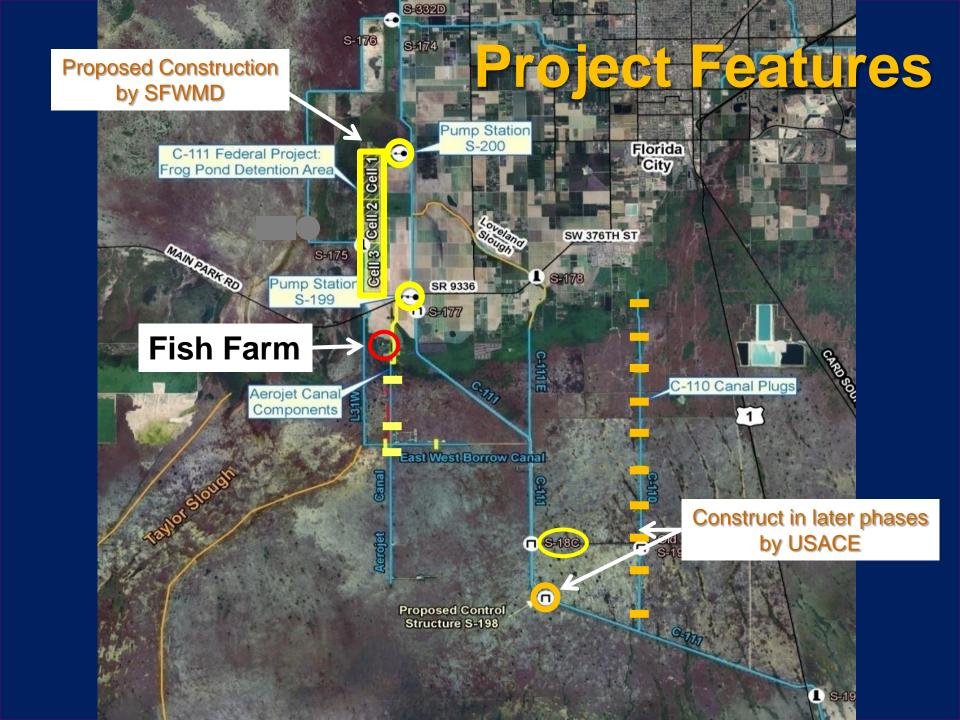
#### **Project Objectives**

Restore the quantity, timing and distribution of water delivered to Florida Bay via Taylor Slough



#### C-111 Spreader Canal, Phase 1





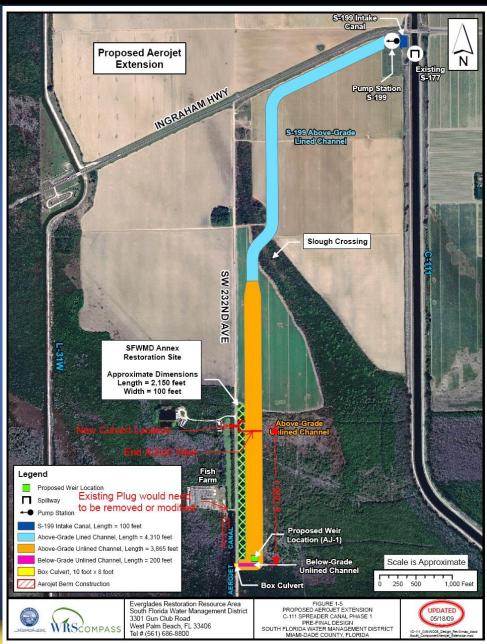
#### **Construction Contracts**

- Frog Pond Detention Area
  - Palm Beach Grading, Inc.
  - **\$10,800,000**
- Pump Stations S-199 & S-200
  - Wright Construction Group
  - **\$7,149,000**
- Aerojet, C-110 and L-31E Canal Modifications
  - GlobeTec, Inc.
  - **\$6,980,000**



#### Fish Farm

- Lease Contract C-7335
  - 48.39 ac.
  - April, 1996 March 2016
  - Annual Rent: \$2,224
    - Plus Productivity Payment based on sales
- Use and configuration conflicts with proposed design
- Water quality issues
- Potential restrictions to operations based on land elevations and proposed water levels
- Staff recommends lease termination



# Conflict with Existing Facility

Alternative Design (Less Cost)

Alternative design savings ~ \$350,000 to \$600,000

2009 Miami-Dade County Aerial Photography



**Current Design** 

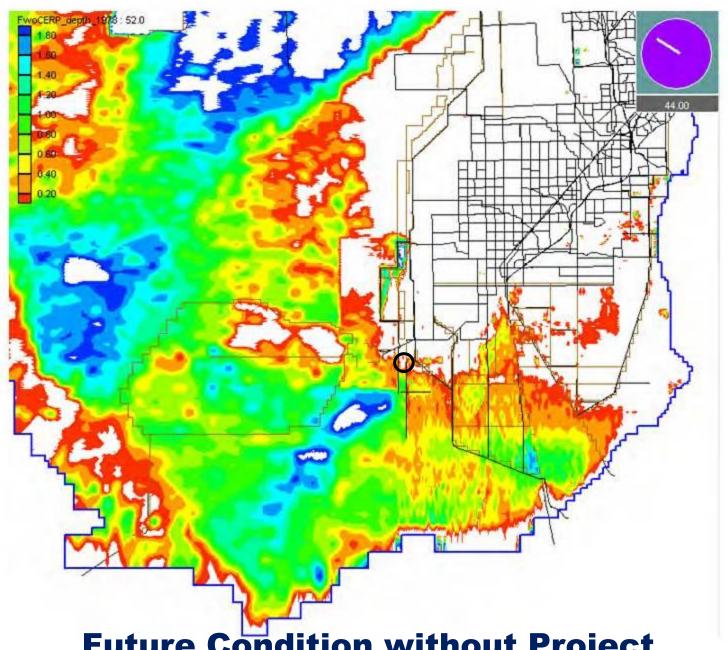
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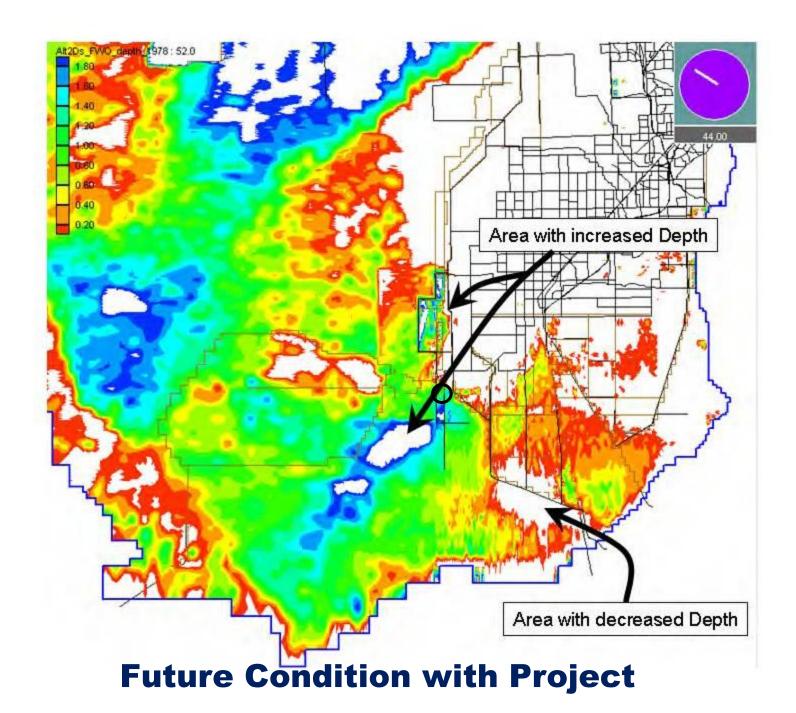
# Increase in Surface Water Levels

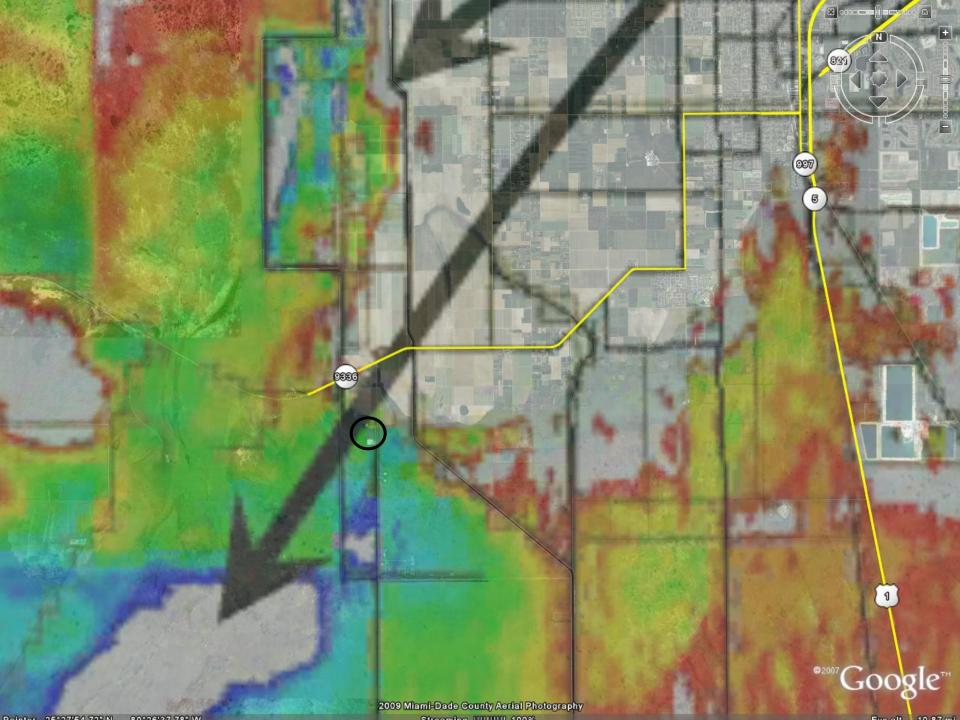
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**Future Condition without Project** 





#### **Staff Recommendation**

- The C-111 Spreader Canal Restoration Plan has been developed, permitted and is ready to begin construction
- Continued operation of the fish farm and the potential expansion of production is not compatible with restoration operations
- Staff recommends termination of the lease
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### Discussion

